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The men of Eastern Illinois University's **Sigma Phi Epsilon** social fraternity will spend their afternoons Tuesday and Wednesday, **Dec. 4 and 5**, packing **discarded EIU textbooks for shipment to Nigerian universities**. This community service project is a continuation of efforts by Olivet Jagusah, a faculty member in Eastern's Department of Secondary Education and Foundations, to collect and send much-needed textbooks back to his homeland.

According to student Bryan Huhn, the fraternity's vice president for communication, Eastern's discarded textbooks – "old by our standards," he said – are often 30 years newer than the ones used by some Nigerian students.

Media representatives wishing to learn more about this service project are invited to visit fraternity representatives as they prepare the books for mailing:

Location: Treasure Island Mini Storage, 620 W. State St. (a.k.a. Route 316), Charleston (located west of the Coles County Fairgrounds).

Times: Huhn, in addition to several of his fraternity brothers, will be at the site from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4, and from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 5.

Contact: Bryan Huhn may be reached at (217) 345-6511. Also, you may contact Eastern's Office of Media Relations, (217) 581-7650.

Eastern Illinois University emphasizes distinguished teaching in the liberal arts, sciences and selected professions. A traditional, residential state university of recognized quality, Eastern enrolls more than 10,000 students in undergraduate and graduate programs. The university, located in Charleston, also serves the region through a variety of non-credit and off-site degree programs, as well as cultural and recreational opportunities. Eastern's pursuit of excellence attracts well-qualified students of an increasingly diverse population and a teaching faculty active in research and public service who utilize the latest technology.